

In the Specification

Applicant presents replacement the following table below indicating the changes with insertions indicated by underlining and deletions indicated by strikeouts and/or double bracketing.

Please replace the table at page 40, line 27 with the amended table as follows:

Table I. Sequences with partial homologies to human *vasa*

Sequences with GenBank accession numbers:
S75275 (SEQ ID NO: 16), D14859 (SEQ ID NO: 17), AB005147 (SEQ ID NO: 18), Y12007 (SEQ ID NO: 19), AF046043 (SEQ ID NO: 20), Z81449.1 (SEQ ID NO: 21), X81823 (SEQ ID NO: 22), P09052 (SEQ ID NO: 23), Q64060 (SEQ ID NO: 24), Q61496 (SEQ ID NO: 25), Q62167 (SEQ ID NO: 26), O00571 (SEQ ID NO: 27), P24346 (SEQ ID NO: 28), P16381 (SEQ ID NO: 29), O15523 (SEQ ID NO: 30), AL042306 (SEQ ID NO: 31), AA399611 (SEQ ID NO: 32), AA398976 (SEQ ID NO: 33), AA383535 (SEQ ID NO: 34), AI217144 (SEQ ID NO: 35), AI953070 (SEQ ID NO: 36), AI025074 (SEQ ID NO: 37), AI654417 (SEQ ID NO: 38), AI337133 (SEQ ID NO: 39), AA758412 (SEQ ID NO: 40), AI969018 (SEQ ID NO: 41), AA400066 (SEQ ID NO: 42), AA862553 (SEQ ID NO: 43), AA401568 (SEQ ID NO: 44), AA316798 (SEQ ID NO: 45), T85890 (SEQ ID NO: 46), T82153 (SEQ ID NO: 47).